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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DULLES

SUBJECT : Soviet Aid Program

1. When I saw Bob Macy, Bureau of the Budget, on other matters this week, he commented that of course the Bureau was following the U. S. aid program very closely and said that through the press and as a result of his participation in Planning Board activities he had become aware of the fact that the Soviets were at least making noises as though they also had a foreign aid program. He wondered if information on such a Soviet program was being pulled together and channeled to policy-making officials.

2. I told him that the Agency was keenly aware of this problem and that whatever information we had was certainly being made available. He replied that he had no reason to question this, but had gained the impression at the Planning Board that either the information was not being analyzed centrally or else we did not have very much hard information available. I said that I would advise you of our conversation. He thought that you might like to mention the matter at a meeting of the Operations Coordinating Board.

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